

June 19, 1940.

The annual supper meeting of the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Urban League was held on the above date at the Y.N.C.A., in Halsey Street with the President in the chair and thirty two members and guests present.

The response to the President's Welcome was made by Dr. Ward, Pres., of the Welfare Federation of Newark. Dr. Ward described a new plan designated to increase donations from subscribers.

Among the other visitors were Mr. Watson, Ass't. Executive Director of the Federation, Mrs. Loesser, chairman of sale of Stadium Concert tickets for the League and Mr. J.O. Thomas, acting Executive Secretary of National Urban League who at this time brought greetings from Mr. Jones and Mr. Wood, National President. Our past presidents, Mr. Bannwart and Mr. Ormond were also presented.

Minutes of the annual supper meeting of 1939 were read and accepted.

The check for the Urban League from sale of Concert tickets amounted to \$275.00.

Mr. Gillette reported for the finance committee. The offer of \$4000 to the Fidelity Union had been turned down. \$5000 might be accepted. Mr. Gillette's report contained the 2 following recommendations:

1. That a committee composed of the President, Treasurer, and Chairman of Finance report to the Fidelity Union Trust Company the receipt of the \$275.00 from the Essex County Symphony Society since our original offer, plus our willingness to release dedicated savings accounts, from which to present an offer of 5000.

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2. The committee be empowered to act according to its

discretion if the offer is not accepted.

The report was approved upon motion by Mr. Ormond seconded by Mr. Bannwart.

After further discussion the second recommendation was accepted upon motion by Mr. Bannwart, seconded by Mrs. Ball.

Report of house committee showed cost of min. repairs.

Mrs. Moorfield reported on Public Relations and reviewed the History of the Urban League which had been written by Mr. Beckett.

Mr. Lett's report for the Industrial and Membership Committee contained 2 proposals:

1. That since 41% of the Negro population is on direct public relief that a specialist in the industrial field is needed. Such a person is willing to come to Newark and raise a large part of the \$500 minimum needed to carry on the work.

2. Some return might come from the free placement service. Could a membership be secured from employers and employees? \$30 placed last year.

Discussion arose as to how to deal with companies, managers etc. What does one get for his membership fee? Could there be a registration fee? What about a membership campaign? With Mr. Gillette in the chair motion was made by Dr. Alexander seconded by Mr. Bannwart that the industrial and membership committee make a survey of the possibility of acting on these proposals and be given authority to act over the summer.

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Mr. Matson was of the opinion that membership outside Newark
was allright.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

U.M. Janifer, Sec'y.